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FOR MATLOCK FROM GARRISON

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: OFFICIAL-INFORMAL

1. INDICATIONS ARE THAT JUSTICE WILL GO ALONG WITH THE REQUEST TO INSTITUTE A PAROLE PROGRAM TO CLEAR OUT THE BACKLOG IN ROME. JUSTICE, IN FACT, SEEMS TO WANT TO INCLUDE THE EX-ISRAEL EMIGRANTS WHO HAD BEEN REFUSED BY INS ROME AS RESETTLED IN ISRAEL--ABOUT 350 PERSONS. THE DEPARTMENT IS NOW REEXAMINING THAT ASPECT, AND DOUBT THE DEPARTMENT WOULD CONCUR WITH PAROLE OF THE EX-ISRAEL CASES. WE WILL KEEP YOU INFORMED.

2. RE ENVELOPE TO TIMOFEYEV, CSCE COMMISSION OFFICE IS CLOSED UNTIL JANUARY 3. PLEASE HOLD ENVELOPE UNTIL WE ARE ABLE TO CHECK WITH RAND AS TO CONTENTS.

3. REF ALEKSEYVA CASE: PROPOSAL MOSCOW 20231 PARA 7
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WOULD PROBABLY BE SAFEST FOR HER. OUR INCLINATION, HOWEVER, WOULD BE TO SPELL OUT DETAILS OF CASE AND

HUMANITARIAN CONSIDERATIONS AND REQUEST SHE BE ACCEPTED FOR TCP. ON GROUNDS THAT LOCUS OF PETITION PROBLEM LIES IN US, PERHAPS YOU COULD SEND TCP REQUEST ACTION SECSTATE

INFO ROME, AND WE WILL TRY TO PREVAIL UPON VO AND INS
CO. WE WILL, OF COURSE, BACK YOU UP WHICHEVER APPROACH
YOU TRY.

4. BAPTISTS - WE WERE VERY INTERESTED IN YOUR 20175,
ESPECIALLY BYCHKOV'S AND ZHIDKOV'S EXPECTATIONS OF THE
NEW ADMINISTRATION (PARA 10). DO YOU KNOW HOW THEY GOT
THEIR INVITATION? WE HAVE ENERGISED PEOPLE HERE TO
MOVE THE VISA REQUESTS AS SOON AS THEY COME IN. KEEP US
POSTED, PLEASE.
ROBINSON

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